

Cascade County 2003 Count of Persons by Age, Race, and Gender

<i>School Age</i>	White Alone		Black Alone		American Indian & Alaska Native Alone		Asian Alone & Native Hawaiian & Pacific Islander Alone		Two or More Races		Hispanic or Latino of any Race	
	Total	Female	Total	Female	Total	Female	Total	Female	Total	Female	Total	Female
5 to 9	4,442	2,133	78	36	322	174	49	21	238	115	212	107
10 to 14	5,072	2,489	74	36	368	188	53	27	216	110	158	77
15 to 19	5,003	2,428	107	46	375	175	57	35	221	110	179	85
20 to 24	4,802	2,249	208	88	340	182	76	33	185	90	268	113
Total	19,319	9,299	467	206	1,405	719	235	116	860	425	817	382

<i>Working Age</i>	White Alone		Black Alone		American Indian & Alaska Native Alone		Asian Alone & Native Hawaiian & Pacific Islander Alone		Two or More Races		Hispanic or Latino of any Race	
	Total	Female	Total	Female	Total	Female	Total	Female	Total	Female	Total	Female
15+	58,041	29,586	935	381	2,665	1,399	662	427	1,234	660	1,417	692
15-64	46,874	23,174	877	353	2,466	1,293	578	365	1,118	590	1,336	645
20+	53,038	27,158	828	335	2,290	1,224	605	392	1,013	550	1,238	607
20-64	41,871	20,746	770	307	2,091	1,118	531	330	897	480	1,157	560

<i>Other Age Group</i>	White Alone		Black Alone		American Indian & Alaska Native Alone		Asian Alone & Native Hawaiian & Pacific Islander Alone		Two or More Races		Hispanic or Latino of any Race	
	Total	Female	Total	Female	Total	Female	Total	Female	Total	Female	Total	Female
0 to 4	4,392	2,068	85	47	358	183	40	22	236	123	287	131
5 to 19	14,517	7,050	259	118	1,065	537	159	83	675	335	549	269
20 to 44	23,398	11,408	633	257	1,439	750	349	201	625	325	918	434
45 to 64	18,473	9,338	137	50	652	368	172	129	272	155	239	126
65+	11,167	6,412	58	28	199	106	84	62	116	70	81	47
Total	71,947	36,276	1,172	500	3,713	1,944	804	497	1,924	1,008	2,074	1,007

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2003 Population Estimates.
Compiled by: Research & Analysis Bureau.

Top 20 Private Employers in Cascade County Listed in Alphabetical Order

Albertson's
Benefis Healthcare
D A Davidson & Co.
Easter Seals - Goodwill
Great Falls Clinic
Great Falls Tribune
Heritage Inn

McDonald's
Missouri River Manor
National Electronics Warranty
North Central Independent Living
Park Place Health Care Center
Quality Life Concepts
Sam's Club

Sletten Construction
Spectrum Medical
Target
United Materials
University of Great Falls
Wal-Mart

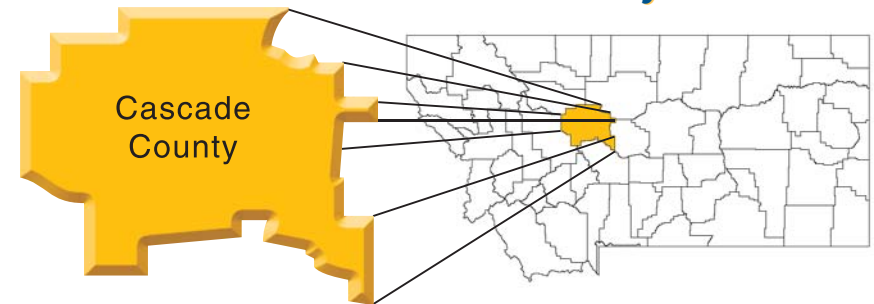
Source: Montana Department of Labor & Industry, Research & Analysis Bureau
Third Quarter 2004 Unemployment Insurance Information. This list includes ONLY private industry employers subject to Unemployment Insurance. Railroads and city, county, state, and federal government agencies (including public school districts and universities) are excluded.

MONTANA Department of Labor and Industry

Labor Market Information

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For Cascade County



Cities and Towns in Cascade County

Belt ▀ Black Eagle ▀ Cascade ▀ Eden ▀ Fife
Fort Shaw ▀ Great Falls ▀ Monarch ▀ Neihart
Portage ▀ Sand Coulee ▀ Simms ▀ Stockett
Sun River ▀ Tracy ▀ Ulm ▀ Vaughn



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Located in central Montana, Cascade County is Montana's fourth most populous with 79,849 residents, according to the U.S. Census Bureau's 2004 estimates. Great Falls, the county seat, is the state's third largest city with a population of 56,155, according to 2003 census estimates.

The 2003 Employment by Industry table on the inside shows national defense, federal government employment (Malmstrom Air Force Base), is important to the area economy. The city is also a major medical and retail trade center. Studies by the University of Montana's Bureau of Economic Research indicate Malmstrom Air Force Base and regional trade center activities account for greater than one-half of the economic base in Great Falls. The base has nearly 12,000 military personnel and dependents. The inside table also shows health care and social assistance has about 19 percent of the nongovernment employment. Combined employment in retail trade, accommodation and food services, equals about one-third of the total private employment, but only one-fifth of the total annual private wages paid. While manufacturing represents only three percent of private employment, the majority of the activity involves natural resources in areas such as grain milling, oil refineries, pasta production, and dairy products. The new malting barley plant will use even more natural resources when constructed. In addition, the finance and insurance industry, provides nearly eight percent of the total private employment and includes a service call center that is the state's largest.

According to the U.S. Census Bureau, median income for Cascade County households in 2002 was \$33,456. Median income is the average per household income in the county (no matter how many people live in the home); per capita income (inside table) is total income in the county divided by the number of people in the county.

According to the *Montana Almanac*, by authors Andrea Merrill and Judy Jacobson, the county was established in 1887 and both the county and Great Falls were named for the Great Falls of the Missouri River. Paris Gibson was the founder of the city, notes the authors, and the area was Blackfeet Indian territory when Lewis & Clark journeyed through from 1805 to 1806.

Cascade County Population

Source: U.S. Census Bureau

Area	7/1/2004 Estimate	7/1/2003 Estimate	7/1/2002 Estimate	4/1/2000 Census	4/1/1990 Census	Percent Change 2003-2004	Percent Change 2002-2003	Percent Change 2000-2004	Percent Change 2000-2003	Percent Change 1990-2000
Montana	926,865	917,621	910,372	902,195	799,065	1.0%	0.8%	2.7%	1.7%	12.9%
Cascade Cty.	79,849	79,779	79,766	80,357	77,691	0.1%	0.0%	-0.6%	-0.7%	3.4%
Belt	NA	615	619	633	535	NA	-0.6%	NA	-2.8%	18.3%
Great Falls	NA	56,155	56,120	56,690	55,907	NA	0.1%	NA	-0.9%	1.4%
Neihart	NA	87	88	91	47	NA	-1.1%	NA	-4.4%	93.6%

2000 Cascade County Commuters by Location

County of Residence	# Who Work in Cascade County	County of Work	# Who Live in Cascade County
Out of State	199	Out of State	300
Blaine County	16	Beaverhead County	20
Cascade County	36,215	Cascade County	36,215
Chouteau County	227	Chouteau County	92
Fergus County	24	Gallatin County	31
Gallatin County	44	Glacier County	35
Hill County	24	Hill County	27
Judith Basin County	69	Judith Basin County	23
Lewis & Clark County	158	Lewis & Clark County	155
Missoula County	42	Meagher County	17
Phillips County	16	Missoula County	22
Pondera County	97	Pondera County	43
Teton County	364	Teton County	110
Toole County	15	Toole County	41
Yellowstone County	56	Yellowstone County	58
Other Montana counties	91	Other Montana counties	86

Source: 2000 U.S. Census Bureau Data.

Summary of Major Occupational Categories By Gender 2000 Census-Equal Employment Opportunity Data Employed Person 16 Years and Older-Cascade County

Occupation	Total	Male	Female
Total	34,792	17,785	17,007
Management, professional, and related occupations:	10,626	4,879	5,747
Management, business, and financial operations occupations:	4,169	2,518	1,651
Management, except farmers and farm managers	2,367	1,551	816
Farmers and farm managers	490	368	122
Business and financial operations occupations:	1,312	599	713
Professional and related occupations:	6,457	2,361	4,096
Education, training, and library occupations	2,000	391	1,609
Healthcare practitioners and technical occupations:	2,096	535	1,561
Service occupations:	6,401	2,549	3,852
Protective service occupations:	715	616	99
Food preparation and serving related occupations	2,339	827	1,512
Building and grounds cleaning and maintenance occupations	1,199	765	434
Personal care and service occupations	1,273	211	1,062
Sales and office occupations:	10,324	3,812	6,512
Sales and related occupations	4,732	2,471	2,261
Office and administrative support occupations	5,592	1,341	4,251
Farming, fishing, and forestry occupations	331	269	62
Construction, extraction, and maintenance occupations:	3,478	3,335	143
Construction and extraction occupations:	2,122	2,045	77
Installation, maintenance, and repair occupations	1,356	1,290	66
Production, transportation, and material moving occupations:	3,632	2,941	691
Production occupations	1,391	948	443
Motor vehicle operators	1,130	1,017	113
Material moving workers	750	652	98

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Equal Employment Opportunity File, www.census.gov/eeo 2001.

Resources

Census and Economic Information for Montana:

Census and Economic Information Center, Montana Department of Commerce, P. O. Box 200505, Helena, MT 59620-0505, 406-841-2740 or check out the Internet website at <http://ceic.commerce.mt.gov/>

Chamber of Commerce:

Great Falls Chamber, P.O. Box 2127, Great Falls, MT 59403, 406-761-4434, <http://greatfallsonline.net>

Department of Labor and Industry:

Great Falls Job Service Workforce Center, 1018 7th St. S., Great Falls, MT 59405, 406-791-5800, 406-791-5800, <http://jsd.dli.mt.gov/local/greatfalls/>

Economic Development:

Great Falls Development Authority, 710 1st Ave. N., Great Falls, MT 59401, 406-454-1934

Housing Costs:

Great Falls Association of Realtors, 1016 9th St. S., Great Falls, MT 59405, 406-453-2752

Internet:

Montana Workforce Services home page for job listings at <http://jsd.dli.mt.gov/>
For information on the Internet about the cities and towns of Belt, Black Eagle, Cascade, Fort Shaw, Great Falls, Monarch, Neihart, Sand Coulee, Simms, Stockett, Sun River, Ulm, and Vaughn, go to <http://www.visitmt.com> and click on "cities and towns."

Montana Motor Vehicle Division:

Drivers' Licensing
Great Falls—415 2nd Ave. N., Room 108, Great Falls, MT 59405, 406-454-6860

Newspapers:

Cascade Courier, P. O. Box 308, Cascade, MT 59421, 406-468-9231, <http://www.cascademontana.com/courier.htm>
Great Falls Tribune, 205 River Drive S., Great Falls, MT 59405, 406-791-1444, <http://www.greatfallstribune.com>

Postsecondary Education Institutions:

Montana University System
Montana State University College of Technology-Great Falls, 2100 16th Ave. S., Great Falls, MT 59406, 800-446-2698, <http://www.msugf.edu/>
Independent Colleges
University of Great Falls, 1301 20th St. S., Great Falls, MT 59405, 800-856-9544, <http://www.ugf.edu>
Mountain States Baptist College, 216 9th St. N., Great Falls, MT 59401, 406-761-0308, <http://www.fairview4u.org/msbc/msbc2.php>

Cascade County Public Schools, Kindergarten through 12th Grade:

Belt Public Schools, P. O. Box 197, Belt, MT 59412, 406-277-3351
Cascade Public Schools, P. O. Box 529, Cascade, MT 59421, 406-468-9383
Centerville Public Schools, 693 Stockett Road, Box 100, Sand Coulee, MT 59472, 406-736-5167
Deep Creek Elementary, 1508 Millegan Road, Great Falls, MT 59405, 406-866-3539
Great Falls Public Schools, P.O. Box 2429, Great Falls, MT 59403, 406-268-6001
Sun River Valley Public Schools, P. O. Box 380, Simms, MT 59477, 406-264-5111
Ulm Elementary, P. O. Box 189, Ulm, MT 59485, 406-866-3313
Vaughn Elementary, 480 Central Ave., Vaughn, MT 59487, 406-965-2232



Montana Department of Labor & Industry's Research & Analysis Bureau



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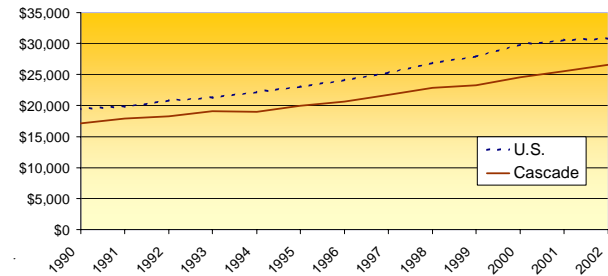
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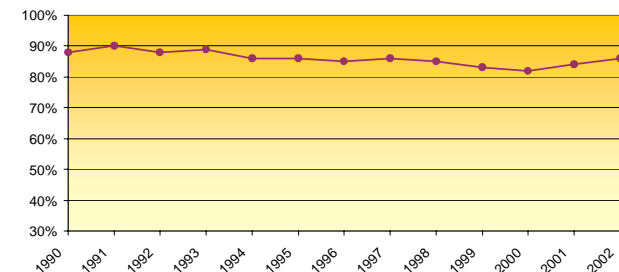
Be sure to check our location quotients for Cascade County on the website. Location quotients are a measure of the concentration of an industry's employment in Cascade County relative to the nation as a whole. A location quotient greater than 1 generally indicates that the industry is more concentrated in Cascade County than in the nation as a whole, while a location quotient less than 1 indicates it is less concentrated in Cascade County than in the nation as a whole.

Cascade County Per Capita Personal Income

Per Capita Personal Income



Percent of National Average



Year	U.S.	Cascade	% of National Average	Year	U.S.	Cascade	% of National Average
2002	\$30,795	\$26,546	86%	1995	\$23,076	\$19,899	86%
2001	\$30,580	\$25,521	84%	1994	\$22,172	\$19,008	86%
2000	\$29,847	\$24,545	82%	1993	\$21,346	\$19,069	89%
1999	\$27,939	\$23,276	83%	1992	\$20,854	\$18,297	88%
1998	\$26,883	\$22,838	85%	1991	\$19,892	\$17,880	90%
1997	\$25,334	\$21,719	86%	1990	\$19,477	\$17,142	88%
1996	\$24,175	\$20,646	85%				

Source: U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of Economic Analysis, Regional Economic Information System. Released September 2004.

Public Libraries:

Belt Public Library, 404 Millard St., Belt, MT 59412-0467, 406-277-3136
 Wedsworth Memorial Library, 13 N. Front St., Cascade, MT 59421-0526, 406-468-2848
 Great Falls Public Library, 301 2nd Ave. N., Great Falls, MT 59401-2593, 406-453-0349

Cascade County Annual Average Labor Force

Year	Civilian Labor Force	Employed	Unemployed	Unemployment Rate
2004	36,219	34,678	1,541	4.3%
2003	36,423	34,862	1,561	4.3%
2002	36,686	35,148	1,538	4.2%
2001	37,330	35,704	1,626	4.4%
2000	36,726	34,922	1,804	4.9%

Source: U.S. Department of Labor & Industry, Research and Analysis Bureau
 (These are provisional estimates which will be revised further in 2005).

Cascade County Farms and Ranches

Total Farms and Ranches	1,037
Oilseed & Grain Farming	128
Vegetable & Melon Farming	1
Fruit & Tree Nut Farming	1
Greenhouse, Nursery & Floriculture Production	7
Sugar Beets, Hay & All Other Crops	295
Beef Cattle Ranching & Farming	330
Cattle Feedlots	17
Dairy Cattle & Milk Production	5
Hog & Pig Farming	4
Poultry & Egg Production	10
Sheep & Goat Farming	35
Animal Aquaculture & Other Animal Production	204

Source: USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service, 2002 Census of Agriculture.

Cascade County Employment by Industry* Annual Averages 2003

Industry	# of Establishments	Average Annual Employment	Annual Wages Paid	Industry	# of Establishments	Average Annual Employment	Annual Wages Paid
TOTAL ALL INDUSTRIES	2,804	32,661	\$848,745,262	TRANSPORTATION & WAREHOUSING	92	877	\$23,145,496
TOTAL PRIVATE	2,685	27,274	\$671,521,324	Air Transportation	4	44	\$1,389,971
AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY, FISHING & HUNTING	32	127	\$2,648,716	Truck Transportation	57	317	\$8,535,284
Crop Production	12	57	\$961,848	Transit & Ground Passenger Transport	6	159	\$2,535,865
Animal Production	11	64	\$1,541,899	Support Activities for Transportation	8	85	\$2,048,035
Agriculture & Forestry Support	7	5	\$134,587	Couriers & Messengers	12	262	\$8,361,328
UTILITIES	13	187	\$9,770,596	INFORMATION	46	729	\$22,522,982
CONSTRUCTION	306	1,711	\$55,178,360	Publishing Industries, Except Internet	9	267	\$7,780,253
Construction of Buildings	99	412	\$11,905,414	Broadcasting, Except Internet	9	212	\$5,607,828
Heavy & Civil Engineering Construction	19	455	\$19,747,497	Telecommunications	17	169	\$7,102,896
Specialty Trade Contractors	187	845	\$23,525,449	Internet Service Providers, Search Portals & Data Processing	8	63	\$1,802,795
MANUFACTURING	82	953	\$32,557,931	FINANCE & INSURANCE	185	2,073	\$70,761,639
Food Manufacturing	13	338	\$12,735,573	Credit Intermediation & Related Activities	56	631	\$20,960,426
Leather & Allied Product Manufacturing	3	7	\$119,785	Insurance Carriers & Related Activities	91	1,127	\$29,408,497
Wood Product Manufacturing	5	55	\$1,158,105	REAL ESTATE & RENTAL & LEASING	128	514	\$8,831,548
Printing & Related Support Activities	10	117	\$3,618,269	Real Estate	101	331	\$5,462,882
Petroleum & Coal Products Manufacturing	3	101	\$5,942,431	PROFESSIONAL & TECHNICAL SERVICES	231	1,192	\$46,390,304
Chemical Manufacturing	4	7	\$282,308	MANAGEMENT OF COMPANIES & ENTERPRISES	5	60	\$1,801,206
Plastics & Rubber Products Manufacturing	3	10	\$287,725	ADMINISTRATIVE & WASTE SERVICES	127	975	\$20,208,285
Nonmetallic Mineral Product Manufacturing	4	29	\$1,130,898	Administrative & Support Services	121	893	\$17,749,854
Machinery Manufacturing	3	2	\$45,288	Waste Management & Remediation Services	6	82	\$2,458,431
Furniture & Related Product Manufacturing	7	61	\$1,624,331	PRIVATE EDUCATIONAL SERVICES	19	443	\$6,850,665
Miscellaneous Manufacturing	13	34	\$759,042	PRIVATE HEALTH CARE & SOCIAL ASSISTANCE	264	5,262	\$152,760,805
WHOLESALE TRADE	158	1,357	\$48,505,901	Ambulatory Health Care Services	164	1,680	\$58,476,660
Merchant Wholesalers, Durable Goods	87	815	\$28,182,144	Nursing & Residential Care Facilities	18	885	\$16,163,754
Merchant Wholesalers, Nondurable Goods	52	473	\$17,583,233	ARTS, ENTERTAINMENT & RECREATION	83	918	\$10,470,162
Electronic Markets & Agents & Brokers	19	70	\$2,740,524	Performing Arts & Spectator Sports	11	97	\$1,128,463
RETAIL TRADE	406	5,136	\$102,000,861	Museums, Historical Sites, Zoos & Parks	5	58	\$1,033,232
Motor Vehicle & Parts Dealers	59	767	\$22,038,482	Amusements, Gambling & Recreation	68	763	\$8,308,467
Furniture & Home Furnishings Stores	21	139	\$2,911,626	ACCOMMODATION & FOOD SERVICES	252	3,612	\$36,398,443
Electronics & Appliance Stores	28	124	\$2,735,257	Accommodation	31	565	\$6,905,479
Building Material & Garden Supply Stores	34	496	\$12,368,064	Food Services & Drinking Places	221	3,046	\$29,492,964
Food & Beverage Stores	28	544	\$11,142,806	OTHER SERVICES	256	1,145	\$20,645,455
Health & Personal Care Stores	22	153	\$4,724,480	Repair & Maintenance	88	371	\$8,889,579
Gasoline Stations	41	401	\$5,684,197	Personal & Laundry Services	50	249	\$3,828,486
Clothing & Clothing Accessories Stores	50	402	\$5,305,859	Membership Associations & Organizations	91	490	\$7,466,082
Sporting Good, Hobby, Book & Music Stores	25	243	\$3,235,798	Private Households	27	36	\$461,308
General Merchandise Stores	14	1,343	\$22,602,556	TOTAL GOVERNMENT	119	5,387	\$177,223,938
Miscellaneous Store Retailers	76	464	\$7,801,279	Local Government	48	2,979	\$81,570,879
Nonstore Retailers	8	61	\$1,450,457	State Government	22	811	\$24,978,583
				Federal Government	48	1,597	70,674,476

Source: Montana Department of Labor and Industry, Research and Analysis Bureau. (Totals may not add due to nondisclosure of confidential industry data or to rounding.) *This data is based on the Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages (QCEW) series which compiles data reported by all employers covered under Montana unemployment insurance.